SECTION 2 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 2, 1978.

CHAPTER 211

(Senate Bill 205)

AN ACT concerning

Elections - Board of Registry

FOR the purpose of repealing the authorization granted to the principal minority party member of the board of supervisors of elections to remove the registrar appointed by him; and clarifying the status of the members of the board of registry.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 33 - Election Code Section 3-10(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (1976 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 33 - Election Code

3-10.

(a) [Each board shall appoint two registrars who shall comprise the board of registry as provided for in § 2-6 of this article except that one shall be appointed by the member of the board who shall have been selected from the principal minority party and shall be subject to removal by such member of the board in his discretion but not by the vote of a majority of the members of the board.] MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FROM THE MAJORITY PARTY SHALL APPOINT ONE REGISTRAR, AND THE MEMBER OF THE BOARD FROM THE PRINCIPAL MINORITY PARTY SHALL APPOINT THE OTHER REGISTRAR. THESE TWO REGISTRARS SHALL COMPRISE THE BOARD OF REGISTRY, AND THEY ARE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 64A AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 2-6 OF THIS ARTICLE. Each board in its discretion may also set up supplemental boards of registry as from time to time may be deemed necessary to aid and expedite the work of the board of registry; such supplemental boards of registry shall consist of at least two members, each of opposite political parties and shall be